

### REMARKS

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that all 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraph rejections are overcome by amendments to the claims and comments that follow.

In case of the elected species salicylic acid, n is zero, m is one and Y<sup>2</sup> and Y<sup>3</sup> are members of a 6 membered aromatic ring and Y<sup>1</sup> and Y<sup>4</sup> are not applicable. This definition is consistent with the described example and the mentioned substances that could stand for X. A man of skill in the art would clearly understand that both C-atoms within the definition of X are also members of the aromatic ring.

With respect to item 16, Y<sup>1</sup> and Y<sup>2</sup> may together be a single oxygen atom and, in combination with the C-atom, could form a carbonyl group.

In view of the foregoing, allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-DNAG-325-US.

Respectfully submitted

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